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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

 An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

The abstract on the page 46 of the specification has been replaced with the following abstract as a separate page attached herewith.

Abstract

A method of reforming an interlayer film for heat-insulating laminated glass by which an interlayer film for heat-insulating laminated glass capable of exhibiting an excellent optical property may be obtained even if heat-insulating fine particles covered with an inert substance are used, an interlayer film for heat-insulating laminated glass, and laminated glass is provided. The method comprises irradiating an interlayer film for heat-insulating laminated glass comprising a heat-insulating fine particle covered with an inert substance, a matrix resin, and a liquid plasticizer with a high energy ray comprising an electromagnetic wave having energy of 3.0 eV or more to improve transmittance of visible light having a wavelength of 380 to 780 nm, and also to reduce transmittance of a near-infrared radiation having a wavelength of 780 to 2100 nm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Callie E. Shosho can be reached on (571) 272-1123. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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